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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I use a tracfone due to the inability to afford a regular cell phone, if you charge the additional \$1.00, I may not even be able to afford the prepaid phone. Please do not start charging this fee. I am a single parent and need the use of the phone to keep in touch with my 13 yr old daughter while I'm in transit to and from work each day. If you were to charge this monthly fee, I don't think I could afford it, in which case I'd have to step down as assistant manager in my job and go back to being a cashier for less pay. Please, it's hard enough to be a single parent in the state of Massachusetts without having to continually pay more fees every month.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members